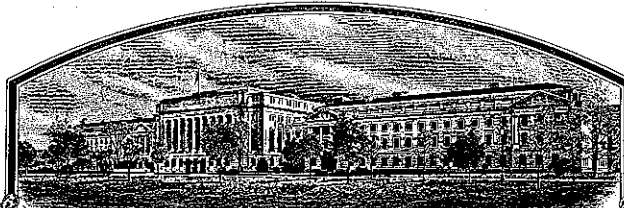


No.

9900305



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Monsanto Company

Whereas THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED, PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSE, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. IN THE UNITED STATES SEED OF THIS VARIETY (1) SHALL BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CERTIFIED SEED AND (2) SHALL CONFORM TO THE NUMBER OF GENERATIONS SPECIFIED BY THE OWNER OF THE VARIETY. (34 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

WHEAT, COMMON

'Gibson'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this twenty-ninth day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand.

Attest:

Ann Marie Thro

Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office

John G. Hildner

Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
SCIENCE DIVISION - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE
(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

The following statements are made in accordance with the privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a)

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421) Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) (as it is to appear on the Certificate) Monsanto Company HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER M94-1069	3. VARIETY NAME GIBSON
4. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) 5912 N. Meridian Street Wichita, Kansas 67204-1699		5. TELEPHONE (include area code) 316-755-1250	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9900305
		6. FAX (include area code) 316-755-0072	
7. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME Triticum aestivum	8. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Gramineae		FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE: 2450.00 DATE 5/27/99
9. CROP KIND NAME (common name) SOFT RED WINTER WHEAT			
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.) (common name) Corporation			CERTIFICATION FEE 300.00 DATE 2/8/00
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION Delaware			
12. DATE OF INCORPORATION 1933			
13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS Dr. Blaine Johnson 806 N. Second Street PO Box 1320 Berthoud, Colorado 80513 AND Ms. Chris Mr. Robert Bruns 806 N. Second Street PO Box 30 Berthoud, Colorado 80513 970-532-3721			14. TELEPHONE (include area code) 970-532-9840
			15. FAX (include area code) 970-532-2035
16. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (follow instructions on reverse)			
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C. Objective Description of the Variety d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Applicant's Ownership f. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voucher Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds, or, for tuber propagated varieties verification that tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in a public repository) g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filing and Examination Fee (\$2,450), made payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (Mail to PVPO)			
17. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY, AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES (if "yes", answer items 18 and 19 below) <input type="checkbox"/> NO (if "no", go to item 20)			
18. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		19. IF "YES" TO ITEM 18, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDERS SEED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED	
20. HAS THE VARIETY OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, USED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETED IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES (if "YES", give names of countries and dates) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			
21. The applicant(s) declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be furnished with the application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate. The undersigned applicant(s) is(are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced or tuber plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act. Applicant(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.			
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s)) Blaine Johnson		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s))	
NAME (Please print or type) Dr. Blaine Johnson		NAME (Please print or type)	
CAPACITY OR TITLE Technical Director U.S.A. Breeding Research	DATE 14 April 1999	CAPACITY OR TITLE	DATE

Exhibit A.

Origin and Breeding History of Gibson

Gibson is a soft red winter wheat developed by AgriPro Seeds Inc. at Lafayette, IN. In the 1987 spring greenhouse at Brookston IN a Brazilian triticale PFT7882 was crossed to an AgriPro experimental wheat line SW84-157 (later registered as AgriPro Hancock). The subsequent seed was planted in a 1988 fall greenhouse and crossed to SW85-81 (later registered as AgriPro Sawyer) and was assigned the experimental population testing in 1994 and one selection based upon height, maturity and foliar disease received the designation M94-1069. Advanced yield testing was conducted at eight locations in 1995, and 1996. Gibson continued to advance because of yield, early maturity, and very good test weight. In 1997 and 1998 replicated tests have been conducted in Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Missouri. F1, F2, F3, and F4 bulk populations were grown in the Brookston IN area with selection pressure for short height, early maturity, and heavy test weight. From the bulk F4 population 62 heads were randomly selected for desirable characteristics and planted as individual head rows in 1993. Six of the head rows were selected on maturity, height, and green leaf duration to be advanced to preliminary yield trials.

In 1997, 336 head-rows were grown in Berthoud, Colorado and evaluated for phenotypic similarity. Two hundred nine rows were selected and bulk harvested to be grown in Berthoud, Colorado as a 4 acre Breeders Seed increase in 1998. This Breeders Seed produced 6,575 pounds of Foundation seed.

Gibson has been uniform and stable since 1997. Less than 0.8% of the plants were rogued from the initial Breeders Seed increase in 1997. Approximately 85% of the rogued variant plants were taller height wheat plants (6 to 15 cm's), 2% were a green plant color at boot stage and 3% were awned wheat plants. Up to 1% variant plants may be encountered in subsequent generations.

Exhibit B.

Statement of Distinctness

Gibson most closely resembles the soft red winter wheat 'Hancock'. However, it can be easily distinguished by the following morphological characteristics:

- Gibson has a blue-green plant color at boot stage (R.H.S. Color Chart No. 122B; Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Hancock has a green plant color at boot stage (R.H.S. Color Chart No. 137B; Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998).
- Gibson is an awnletted soft winter wheat (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Hancock is an awned soft winter wheat (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998).
- Gibson has yellow anthers (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Hancock has purple anthers (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998).
- Gibson has a tapering head shape (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, and 1998). Hancock has a strap to clavate head shape (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998).
- Gibson has a white coleoptile (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Hancock has a purple coleoptile (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998).

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
SCIENCE DIVISION
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

EXHIBIT 8900305
(Wheat)

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
WHEAT (*Triticum* Spp.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS (<i>Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code</i>) 5912 N. Meridian Street Wichita, Kansas 67204-1699	PVPO NUMBER
	NAME OR EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION Gibson

Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character of this variety in the boxes below.

Place a zero in the first box when number is either 99 or less or 9 or less respectively. Data for quantitative plant characters should be based on a minimum of 100 plants. Comparative data should be determined from varieties entered in the same trial. Royal Horticultural Society or any recognized standard may be used to determine plant colors; designate system used.

Please answer all questions for your variety; lack of response may delay progress of your application.

1. KIND:

1=Common 2=Durum 3=Club 4=Other (*specify*) _____

2. VERNALIZATION:

1=Spring 2=Winter 3=Other (*specify*) _____

3. COLEOPTILE ANTHOCYANIN:

1=Absent 2=Present

4. JUVENILE PLANT GROWTH:

1=Prostrate 2=Semi-erect 3=Erect

5. PLANT COLOR (*boot stage*):

1 = Yellow-Green 2 = Green 3 = Blue-Green

6. FLAG LEAF (*boot stage*):

1 = Erect 2 = Recurved

1 = Not Twisted 2 = Twisted

7. EAR EMERGENCE:

Number of Days Earlier Than Equal to Patterson *

Number of Days Later Than _____ *

8. ANTHER COLOR:

1 = YELLOW 2 = PURPLE

9. PLANT HEIGHT (*from soil to top of head, excluding awns*):

cm Taller Than _____ *

cm Shorter Than Patterson *

* Relative to a PVPO-Approved Commercial Variety Grown in the Same Trial

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10. STEM:

A. ANTHOCYANIN

1 1= Absent 2=Present

B. WAXY BLOOM

2 1=Absent 2=Present

C. HAIRINESS (*last internode of rachis*)

2 1=Absent 2=Present

D. INTERNODE (*specify number*)

1 1=Hollow 2=Semi-solid 3=Solid

E. PEDUNCLE

1 1=Erect 2=Recurved

2 **7** cm Length

11. HEAD (*at Maturity*):

A. DENSITY

2 1=Lax 2=Middense 3= Dense

B. SHAPE

1 1 = Tapering 2= Strap 3 = Clavate 4 = Other (*specify*)

C. CURVATURE

2 1 = Erect 2 = Inclined 3 = Recurved

D. AWNEDNESS

3 1 = Awnless 2 = Apically Awnletted 3 = Awnletted 4 = Awned

12. GLUMES (*at Maturity*):

A. COLOR

1 1 = White 2 = Tan 3 = Other (*specify*)

B. SHOULDER

2 1 = Wanting 2 = Oblique 3 = Rounded 4 = Square 5 = Elevated 6 = Apiculate

C. BEAK

1 1 = Obtuse 2 = Acute 3 =Acuminate

D. LENGTH

2 1 = Short (ca. 7mm) 2 = Medium (ca. 8mm) 3 = Long (ca. 9mm)

E. WIDTH

2 1 = Narrow (ca. 3mm) 2 = Medium (ca. 3.5mm) 3 = Wide (ca. 4mm)

13. SEED:

A. SHAPE

1 1 = Ovate 2 = Oval 3 = Elliptical

B. CHEEK

1 1=Rounded 2=Angular

C. BRUSH

2 1=Short 2=Medium 3=Long

1 1 = Not Collared 2 = Collared

D. CREASE

1 1 = Width 60% or less of Kernel
2 = Width 80% or less of Kernel
3 = Width Nearly as Wide as Kernel

1 1 = Depth 20% or less of Kernel
2 = Depth 35% or less of Kernel
3 = Depth 50% or less of Kernel

13. SEED: (continued)

E. COLOR

☒ 3 1 = White 2 = Amber 3 = Red 4 = Other (specify) _____

F. TEXTURE

☒ 2 1=Hard 2=Soft

G. PHENOL REACTION (see instructions):

☒ 0 1 = Ivory 2 = Fawn 3 = Light Brown 4 = Dark Brown 5 = Black

14. DISEASE: (0=Not Tested; 1=Susceptible; 2=Resistant; 3=Intermediate; 4=Tolerant)

PLEASE INDICATE THE SPECIFIC RACE OR STRAIN TESTED

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 Stem Rust (<i>Puccinia graminis</i> f. sp. <i>tritici</i>) Field races	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 Leaf Rust (<i>Puccinia recondita</i> f. sp. <i>tritici</i>) Field races
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Stripe Rust (<i>Puccinia striiformis</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Loose Smut (<i>Ustilago tritici</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Tan Spot (<i>Pyrenophora tritici-repentis</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Flag Smut (<i>Urocystis agropyri</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Halo Spot (<i>Selenophoma donacis</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Common Bunt (<i>Tilletia tritici</i> or <i>T. laevis</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 <i>Septoria nodorum</i> (Glume Blotch)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Dwarf Bunt (<i>Tilletia controversa</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 <i>Septoria avenae</i> (Speckled Leaf Disease)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Karnal Bunt (<i>Tilletia indica</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <i>Septoria tritici</i> (Speckled Leaf Blotch) Field races	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 Powdery Mildew (<i>Erysiphe graminis</i> f. sp. <i>tritici</i>) Field races
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Scab (<i>Fusarium</i> spp.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Snow Molds
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Black Point (Kernel Smudge)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Common Root Rot (<i>Fusarium</i> , <i>Cochliobolus</i> and <i>Bipolaris</i> spp.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Barley Yellow Dwarf Virus (BYDV)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Rhizoctonia Root Rot (<i>Rhizoctonia solani</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 Soilborne Mosaic Virus (SBMV) Field races	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Black Chaff (<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i> pv. <i>translucens</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 Wheat Yellow (Spindle Streak) Mosaic Virus Field races	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Bacterial Leaf Blight (<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>syringae</i>)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus (WSMV) Field races	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____

15. INSECT: (0=Not Tested; 1=Susceptible; 2=Resistant; 3=Intermediate; 4=Tolerant)

PLEASE SPECIFY BIOTYPE (where needed)

<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Hessian Fly (<i>Mayetiola destructor</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Stem Sawfly (<i>Cephus</i> spp.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Cereal Leaf Beetle (<i>Oulema melanopa</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Russian Aphid (<i>Diuraphis noxia</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Greenbug (<i>Schizaphis graminum</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> 0	Aphids		

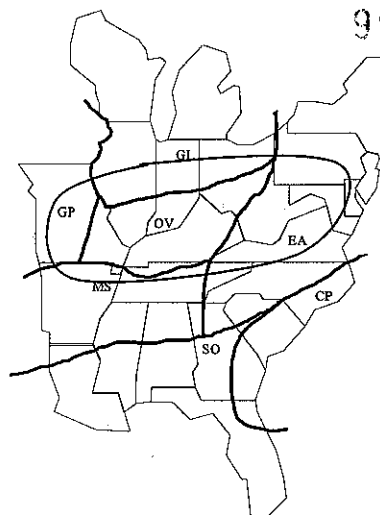
16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ANY ITEM ABOVE, OR GENERAL COMMENTS:

**M94-1069** GIBSON**Soft Red Winter Wheat**

Parentage PFT 7882 / Hancock // Sawyer

Experimental Number:

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**POSITIONING:** Ohio Valley

Early Heading for double crop area

Lacks PM resistance for east coast

Lacks winter survival to go into upper great lakes

COMMENTS: Excellent standability but not big heavy straw

Had tails in this years crops

Head to Head PERFORMANCE: (bu/A)

Variety	Great Lakes Region							Ohio Valley Region						
	Loc	96	Loc	97	Loc	98	Overall Loc Avg.	Loc	96	Loc	97	Loc	98	Overall Loc Avg.
M94-1069					7	56	7 56					4	53	4 53
Mason					7	51	7 51					4	50	4 50
M94-1069	4	39	6	73	7	56	17 58	3	52	4	76	4	53	11 61
Patterson	4	47	6	68	7	50	17 56	3	54	4	66	4	49	11 57
M94-1069	4	39	7	72	7	56	18 58	3	52	4	76	4	53	11 61
Pioneer 2552	4	43	7	74	7	65	18 64	3	59	4	77	4	60	11 66
M94-1069			7	72	10	60	17 65			4	76	6	57	10 65
Foster			7	74	10	59	17 65			4	76	6	57	10 65

PATHOLOGY

AGRONOMICS				Sus	Mod Sus	Mod Res	Res	V Res
Type:	Awnless SRWW			Leaf Blotch:				
Height:	= Foster			Glume Blotch:				
Heading:	= Patterson			Leaf Rust:				
Maturity:	= Patterson			Stem Rust:				
W. Hardiness:	Very good OV			Pow. Mildew:				
Test Weight:	= Foster			SBM Virus				
Straw St:	= Foster			WSS Virus				
Seed Size:	34 TKW			BYD Virus:				
Vernalization:				Hessian Fly:				
Spring Freeze 4 Rating				Head Scab:				

QUALITY

	M94-1069	Caldwell
Wheat Protein, %:	11.5	10.0
Flour Protein, %:	10.1	8.4
Milling	B	A
Break Flour, %:	39.6	44.0
Total Flour, %:	68.9	69.3
Baking:	C	B
Comments:	Data 1995-97	

Experiment Ranking

	98	97	96	Site
	13	23	22	Findlay OH
	13	13	13	Woodburn IN
	2	4	20	Lafayette IN
	10	3		Pana IL
	7	2		Ansonia OH
	7	4	4	St. Jacobs IL
	11	5	28	Sullivan IN
	6	2	2	Carmi IL
	15	4	5	Columbia MO
	13	40		Beletsville MD
	12			Pop Hill MD
	5		5	Jonesboro AR

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Exhibit D.

Additional Description of Gibson

Gibson is a soft red winter wheat bred and developed by Agripro Seeds, Inc. Gibson was derived from a Brazilian triticales PFT7882 that was crossed to an Agripro experimental wheat line SW84-157. Gibson has excellent test weight, early maturity, medium plant height, very good straw strength, and good winter survival. Gibson has intermediate resistance to powdery mildew, and soil borne mosaic and is tolerant to wheat spindle streak, septoria tritici, leaf rust and stem rust. Milling is very good and baking properties are good.

Juvenile growth habit is semierect. Plant color at boot stage is blue green. Anther color is yellow. The flag leaf at boot stage is erect and twisted. Auricle anthocyanin and auricle hairs are present. Waxy bloom is present on the stem, flag leaf sheath and head. The head is tapering, middense and awnletted. The glume at maturity is medium in length and width. Shoulder shape on the glume is oblique with an obtuse beak. Seed shape is ovate. Brush length is midlong. Seed crease width is narrow and depth is shallow.

Gibson is adapted to the double crop areas of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Missouri.

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EXHIBIT E
STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF OWNERSHIP

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER M94-1069	3. VARIETY NAME GIBSON
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP, and Country) 5912 N. Meridan Street Wichita, Kansas 67204-1699	5. TELEPHONE (include area code) 316-755-1250	6. FAX (include area code) 316-755-0072
7. PVPO NUMBER		

8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in appropriate block. If no, please explain. ☒ YES ☐ NO9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or U.S. based company? ☒ YES ☐ NO
If no, give name of country10. Is the applicant the original owner? ☐ YES ☒ NO If no, please answer one of the following:

a. If original rights to variety were owned by individual(s), is (are) the original owner(s) a U.S. national(s)?

☐ YES ☐ NO If no, give name of country

b. If original rights to variety were owned by a company(ies), is(are) the original owner(s) a U.S. based company?

☒ YES ☐ NO If no, give name of country

11. Additional explanation on ownership (if needed, use reverse for extra space):

*Please see following page.

PLEASE NOTE:

Plant variety protection can be afforded only to owners (not licensees) who meet one of the following criteria:

1. If the rights to the variety are owned by the original breeder, that person must be a U.S. national, national of a UPOV member country, or national of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
2. If the rights to the variety are owned by the company which employed the original breeder(s), the company must be U.S. based, owned by nationals of a UPOV member country, or owned by nationals of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
3. If the applicant is an owner who is not the original owner, both the original owner and the applicant must meet one of the above criteria.

The original breeder/owner may be the individual or company who directed final breeding. See Section 41(a)(2) of the Plant Variety Protection Act for definition.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0581-0055. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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Exhibit E.
Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership

Curtis Beazer, an employee of Agripro Seeds, Inc, developed the variety for which Plant Variety Protection is hereby sought. By agreement between employees and Agripro Seeds, Inc., all rights to any invention, discovery, or development made by the employee while employed by Agripro Seeds, Inc., were assigned to Agripro Seeds, Inc., with no rights of any kind pertaining to 'Gibson' being retained by the employees.

By contractual agreement the variety 'Gibson' is currently owned by ~~HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company~~ and licensed to Agripro Seeds, Inc. for commercial use.

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01 Mar 2000
per letter